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Regents require faculty to pay center fees

Board unanimously supports a comparable staff fee for use of Student Recreation Center

By SCOTT A. PUMMELL
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Equality was the most important issue in the Board of Regents unanimous decision to charge faculty for the use of the Student Recreation Center, according to one member.

There was a tuition raise during the past academic year of \$1.50 per credit hour, according to Warren Gose, vice president of Finance. However, the tuition raise will increase to \$4.10 for the 1994-95 academic year. Faculty have been allowed to use the center for no charge during the past year.

"It's over \$120 a year for a full-time student (in Student Recreation Center fees added to tuition)," Gose said. "I think it's only fair that those of us on staff who use it also pay."

The dispute began when Student Senate discussed the topic and subsequently passed a proposal stating the opinion that faculty and their dependents should pay for use of the center, said Student Senate President Trent Skaggs.

"The simple argument is the students have paid for the facility," Skaggs said. "The majority of the

students feel that the faculty should have to pay some sort of fee."

Members of the faculty believe the free use of the center is a fringe benefit and should be preserved, according to Phil Lucido, Faculty Senate president.

"The main concern is the faculty are afraid that they are seeing an erosion of benefits," Lucido said.

Frank Strong Jr., Regent, said he believes the issue revolves around fairness to the students.

"It's always difficult to take away perks, but you have to think about who you are taking away from," Audra Kincheloe, Regent, said. "Wasn't it said that there's only about 50 faculty members that are actually using the center?"

Ultimately, the Regents agreed faculty should have to pay fees equal to students' tuition raises.

"I think everyone ought to pay the same," University President Dean Hubbard said. "If it is anything less, I can't justify it."

Hubbard offered the faculty an alternative to the use of the center. He said the administration had looked into a proposal that would pay for the faculty's use of the health club, providing they follow certain guidelines.

They would first be given a physical and then prescribed an extensive health regimen. So long as they follow the prescription, the University would continue paying for the use of the club.

"Our paying would be dependent upon their staying on the bandwagon," Hubbard said.

The University will continue to look into the proposal, Hubbard said.

In other business, the Regents discussed a proposal revamping the procedure for adding and dropping courses at the beginning of the semester.

The current process allows students five days to add or drop a class at the beginning of a semester in order to receive a full refund. Gose proposed extending the add period one day so students would be given a fair chance to add a class after others had dropped it.

The Faculty Senate disagreed with this proposal due to the time constraints it involved.

"There are some concerns of having students enroll in a class this late in the semester," Lucido said. "They would miss nearly a week and a half of class under the system."

Lucido proposed students be given only four days to drop a course, with the fifth day reserved for those students who wanted to add a course.

"We thought this was more academically responsible," Lucido said.

In a report to the Regents, Skaggs announced the search for a student Regent was nearly completed.

"We were told by the state that we will have a new student Regent in the next few weeks," Skaggs said.

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Get Fit: Just Do It!



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USING THE NEWLY REFURNISHED Student Recreation Center to reduce the pressure of academic stress, some Northwest students spend a couple of hours playing

Walleyball in one of the racquetball courts in the recreation center. According to Bob Lade, coordinator of Campus Recreation, the center averages about 600 visitors a day.

Student Recreation Center celebrates opening

Northwest, community members officially christen athletic facility; it exceeds administration's hopes

By CHRIS TRIEB SCH
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Although students have been enjoying the Student Recreation Center for two months already, Wednesday, March 16's ribbon-cutting ceremony marked the official opening of the recreation center.

"All in all this facility not only meets our expectations, but it exceeds our expectations," University President Dean Hubbard said.

The center's opening ceremony was attended by students, faculty, administrators and even citizens of the Maryville community.

Speeches were given, and the event was then rounded off with the cutting of the red ribbon.

"I thought (the ceremony) went very well," Bob Lade, master of ceremonies, said. "It was better than I expected and we even had community present. I was very pleased with it."

Among things discussed in the speeches was reaching out to students' physical well-being as well as social, spiritual and intellectual health.

The center also helps provide opportunities for stu-

dents in regard to different forms of employment.

It was also said students have been taking very good care of the recreation center in the two months it has been open.

"I think the center has definitely exceeded our expectations," Lade said. "I had a pretty good idea of what it was going to look like but it is even better than I thought."

Lade also said the center will add more in the future, such as air hockey tables and a weight machine.

He also said a conference lounge with features including a big screen television could also be added to the center after the necessary funds are gathered.

"The center gives students an attractive place to come and relieve stress," Lade said.

The center provides an alternative for students' nighttime recreational options, according to Lade.

"It is a place to hang out and recreate, constructively rather than going to bars and things like that. Colleges in the east have also started doing more recreation," Lade said.

Among others in attendance at the ceremony included Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents, and Ed Douglas, Regent, when the recreation center was approved.

Also present at the ceremony were many of the constructors and designers who helped work on the development and construction of the center.

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Sports

► The bearcat's pitching staff pulled off a victory in the second game of a double-header after dropping the first game.

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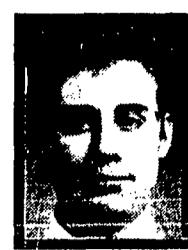
► A literary supplement which includes works of art, stories and poems by Northwest students.

Section B



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian
DURING A RIGOROUS WORKOUT, some Northwest students compete in a friendly game of two-on-two racquetball. The popularity of the courts keep them in constant use from about 3 p.m. until close.

MY TURN

Derrick Barker
Associate Editor

Despite bad publicity about the Whitewater affair, voters interested in scandals find story dull

Scandal-hungry Republicans annoy public with boring affair

Although Washington, D.C., is buzzing with gossip and innuendos over the Whitewater affair involving the Clintons, the rest of the nation has greeted the story with nothing more than sporadic yawning.

Perhaps the story would have lifted eyebrows a decade or two ago, but compared to the heap of scandals in 1994, Whitewater is just another news bit for Washington know-it-alls to gossip about on "Crossfire" or "Face the Nation."

However, the pundits are starting to ask if anyone else really cares about Whitewater.

If the rest of the nation is hesitant to answer the question, fear not. Syndicated columnist Mike Royko has already given an answer: "Yes, no, maybe and who knows?"

Perhaps the creative juices just aren't flowing in the Republican Party like they were during Campaign '92.

After all, a political party that constantly reminded voters about Jennifer Flowers, draft dodging and "I didn't inhale," should be able to muster up something better than a boring scandal like Whitewater.

However, it may be premature to call Whitewater boring.

Perhaps when it is explained by long-winded politicians, lawyers or accountants, the good stuff gets lost among the heap of trivial garbage that makes even the most attentive ear turn deaf from boredom.

Whatever the facts might suggest about Whitewater, the scandal itself isn't drawing the crowds the GOP was expecting. Probably because it only interests the most conservative of conservatives.

Whitewater contains none of the elements for good drama that the current popular scandals possess—drama for the common folk.

Sorry, television viewers. Whitewater has no blood, no wild sexual escapades, no bruised kneecaps, no severed penises.

In simple terms, Whitewater is a business deal gone awry over some forgotten clump of Arkansas swamp land.

Fortunately, the lack of public interest in Whitewater will keep the entertainment industry from creating another sleazy television docudrama.

Perhaps Hillary Clinton's involvement is the only part of the affair that keeps the story on the front page. Only if Bill were to fire his wife would this affair become historic. However, that's not likely to happen.

Unfortunately, the nation is left with only a few political nasties until the next election when Scandalville once again takes the press by storm.

In the meantime, the GOP will have to do some better brainstorming.

OUR VIEW

Editorials express the view of the *Northwest Missourian*. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists, cartoonists and readers.

City should choose Mozingo

Maryville must decide what is more important for the city—providing a recreational facility for tourists or providing a correctional facility for convicted criminals. Some citizens of Maryville believe the city can provide for both. But not without consequences.

Mt. Alverno is being considered a possible site for a women's minimum security correctional facility. The prison could contribute to the local economy. It would bring more jobs to the county, an obvious economic boost for the area, and it would utilize an old, structurally safe building, which has remained unoccupied for years.

This all appears to be a wise economic endeavor for the county if one examines this issue without considering the spatial relationship between Mt. Alverno and Mozingo.

Why, after spending millions of dollars and countless hours of effort, would the city jeopardize the future and success of the Mozingo project by placing a women's correctional facility near a recreational resort?

It is hard to imagine that families would be excited about camping at Mozingo knowing that convicted criminals are housed less than five miles away.

Maryville needs to reconsider and give either Mozingo or the correctional facility priority because it seems unlikely that both could coexist.

In light of the project's progress, Mozingo seems the most logical choice.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Students' rights not violated; issues blown out of proportion

Dear Editor,

The *Northwest Missourian* has spoken. Ordinarily, I would ignore any blatant and overblown views expressed in the "Our View" column. I cannot, however, afford to let "Bans Violate Students' Rights" in the March 3 issue pass.

Many crucial issues involving the campus need to be discussed, but, no, you have to pontificate about those of us faculty members who deny students the right to wear caps in the classroom.

You really hit the high note of pontification when you state "... there is no reason why students should not be allowed to wear what they want."

I am one of the many instructors at Northwest who "ban" hats in the classroom because it is a question of decorum, or, simply put, manners.

Most people know to remove their caps when they enter a building, and I am startled that you did not know this obvious fact.

It might also shock you to learn that men do remove their caps in church, in fine restaurants,

and, hopefully, at cultural events in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Oh, yes, my students, in addition, keep their feet on the floor, do not pop their bubble gum, or have raunchy lettering or indecent pictures on their T-shirts. I respect my students; consequently, I hope they respect me for what I am trying to do, and that is to teach them in a proper ambiance.

Incidentally, my students have never complained to me about what you call an "infringement of their rights," in that we dictate what they wear.

I believe that you are forgetting that faculty members have a few rights, too, especially in trying to create the best possible classroom scene.

Those "hats" you refer to are caps. You might notice they have lettering on the front, and the bill of the cap can be placed on the front or the side or the back of the head—baseball catcher style. I have several caps, but I do not wear any one of them in my classroom.

We who are guilty of the cap prohibition will continue to teach and respect our students without your whining over classroom procedures.

Virgil Albertini, English professor

VOICE YOUR OPINION

Letters to the editor should be signed and include the author's name, address and phone number for verification purposes. The *Missourian* reserves the right to refuse and to edit such articles. Letters should not contain over 250 words. All letters must be addressed to the editor.

Jeff Roe
Columnist

Washington under investigation over destroyed documents; impeachment in order

Whitewater case shreds evidence

Hello, silent majority. The Whitewater debate has been raging the last couple of weeks. Fortunately, I spent my spring break in our nation's capital, and I believe I have a good understanding of the impact this development might have on the future of our president.

Investigators believe the Madison Guaranty Saving and Loan was asked by then-Gov. Bill Clinton to help him repay \$50,000 that he lent his 1984 gubernatorial campaign.

James McDougal, the owner of the mentioned savings and loan, responded by hosting a lavish fund-raiser that hauled in roughly \$35,000.

Investigators suspect that \$15,000 or more may have been diverted from McDougal's thrift into Clinton's private bank account.

The next fiasco recently discovered was that the Clinton's supposedly said they lost over \$70,000 in the Whitewater Development deal, but their 1993 federal financial disclosure forms indicate a small capital gain.

They also claimed themselves as half owners when they actually owned only 40 percent. Moreover, the Clinton's describe themselves as passive investors while Hillary demanded power of attorney and handled the partnership's tax work through 1992.

All of this is being investigated, or

attempting to be investigated, by a federal grand jury. This is where the cover up begins.

It first began with the suicide (or so it has been called) of Foster. Vincent Foster was a partner with Hillary in an Arkansas law firm, and later was chosen as White House counsel.

Foster handled many of the Clinton's legal matters, including Whitewater.

Foster's death has been surrounded by doubt leading from the circumstances. There has never been a police report, no ballistics report on the weapon, (that he did not legally own) nor an autopsy reported to determine the cause of death.

Enter Nussbaum, the White House counsel, who upon Foster's death, promptly sent the files to Foster's family, the president's private lawyer and to the Park Service officials investigating the death. All of this was done while violating federal law to turn all documents to the White House.

The worst is yet to come. Apparently almost all records dealing with Whitewater were shredded. Someone ordered two interns at the law firm to destroy the documents.

And to top it all off, Treasury officials briefed Clinton aides at least three times in the last five months concerning the agencies investigation into the

Madison swift.

Moreover, Nussbaum was illegally informed the Clintons were named as potential beneficiaries of the Madison misconduct.

All of this leads 50 percent of American people (as reported in a recent Gallup poll) to believe there was a coverup in the Whitewater case.

What is the other 50 percent thinking, evidently they are not.

There have been many comparisons to Watergate, and I believe the same.

The Clinton's have done, or at least been accused of, everything from tax fraud to government ethics. There have been illegal meetings, deaths to key personnel, and the shredding of pertinent documents.

If Nixon would have been so smart as to shred his tapes he would have served out his term unmoleded.

What we are facing, is the single largest domestic coverup in U.S. history.

To stand for this would be damaging to our nation's credibility, not to mention law-abiding government officials.

Impeachment proceedings are in order. Do not allow a shredding machine, and the bureaucratic machine to continue the lies.

This is Where I Stand.

CAMPUS VOICE

"A nice Mexican restaurant like Margaritas or the Alamo in Kansas City."

Jason Quigley, sophomore



"Perkins. That is a good place. I ate there this week and it was really good."

Angela Melierotte, junior



"The Olive Garden, because it's nice and there really is not a nice restaurant in Maryville."

Kristi Martin, freshman



"Chi-Chi's, because there is no real go-in-and-sit restaurant. There is no where to go on a date."

Karla Thayer, freshman



"Chi-Chi's, for a switch of atmosphere, and because I like the salsa."

Trent Skaggs, junior



What type of restaurant would you like to see replace The Grecery?

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WEEKLY BRIEFING

Motel reopens with new owner, name

CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

17 Thursday

8 a.m. University surplus property viewing will be held in the Support Services Building.
3:15 p.m. Political Science Club meeting will be held in 244 Golden Hall.
5 p.m. Amnesty International meeting will be held in the Regent's Room.
7 p.m. CAPs film: "The Three Musketeers" will be held in Mary Linn.
7 p.m. HALO meeting will be held in the Northwest room.
9 p.m. CAPs Film: "The Three Musketeers" will be in Mary Linn. Mathematics Olympiad.
High School Band Invitational: North Kansas City school job interviews will be held in the Lower Lakeview Room.

18 Friday

8 a.m. University surplus property viewing will be held in the Support Services Building.
5 p.m. Chinese Student Association meeting will be held in the Governor's room.
9 p.m. CAPs Film: "The Three Musketeers" will be held in Mary Linn. Last Date for pass/fail second block will be in the Registrar's Office.

19 Saturday

District Piano Contest.
Phi Mu 3-on-3 Tournament will be held in the Student Recreation Center.

20 Sunday

3 p.m. Sharon Colton senior recital will be held in the Charles Johnson Theatre.
6 p.m. Dollar Supper will be held in the Wesley Center.
7 p.m. "Concert of the Bells" will be held in Mary Linn.

21 Monday

4 p.m. Campus Recreation Softball Captains meeting.
8 p.m. American Man of Music Concert will be held in the Charles Johnson Theatre.
Campus Rec. softball entries due in the Campus Rec. office.

22 Tuesday

7 p.m. Horace Mann Parent University will be held in Brown Hall.
8 p.m. John Woods' senior recital will be held in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

23 Wednesday

1:15 p.m. Quality Speaker: Fred Lee will be in the Union Ballroom.
6 p.m. Bicycling Club meeting will be held in the Stockman's Room.
7 p.m. Campus Rec. Bench Press contest will be held in the Student Recreation center.
Senior major field exams will be held. Last date to audit second block course in the Registrar's Office.

By ANGELA TACKETT
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The Show-Me Inn opened its doors on March 1, with approximately 36 of the 94 rooms ready for rent.

The rest of the motel, located in the former Wilson Motel, will go under a two-year renovation of 20 rooms before it will be completely operational.

Dennis Pierson purchased the motel from the Small Business Administration after it went through public foreclosure proceedings last September.

Pierson's brother, Dean, returned to Maryville from Sarasota, Fla., to manage the motel.

"We are going to try to have a modern, well equipped facility," Dennis Pierson said. "Hopefully it will serve everyone's needs."

Renovations will include new carpet, drapes, bed spreads, televisions and washer and dryers.

Also Pierson plans to replace the roofs on all the buildings, update the cooling and heating system, resurface the parking lots and add a

Jacuzzi to the pool facilities.

"Structurally, the place is in good shape," Dennis said. "It just needs a complete updating and rejuvenating."

Single occupancy rooms range from \$30 to \$35, and Dennis believes additional rooms will be back in service before Northwest's graduation in May. Dennis also believes the motel will attract a lot of business as Maryville grows.

"With Mozingo and the golf course

coming and the other industries Maryville has, there is really a demand for quite a few rooms," he said.

Northwest students believe the renovations were needed.

"It seems the new owners are more willing to draw people there compared to the old owners," Shannon Blackney, junior, said.

"When the renovations are done, the motel will be able to compete better with the newer motels in Maryville."

The Greenery restaurant, located next to the former Wilson Motel, closed its doors soon after the motel.

However, The Greenery will not open with Show-Me Inn. The restaurant has yet to be purchased.

OLD BUSINESS,
NEW FACES

✓Business: Show-Me Inn
✓Owner: Dennis Pierson
✓Prices: \$30-\$35 single occupancy
✓Features: new carpet, drapes, bed spreads, televisions and washer and dryers.



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

IN HOPES OF MAKING more rooms available before Northwest's graduation, Ralph White, Show-Me Inn maintenance worker, rips out the ceiling of an older motel room to remove the heating/air conditioning unit. The old units have been replaced with new electrical units which were installed under the windows.

UNIVERSITY

Music honorary will present concert with American theme

The men of Phi Mu Alpha fraternity will present the "American Man of Music" concert featuring a variety of musical literature from various American composers.

The concert will be at 8 p.m. Monday, March 21, in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

The Chordbusters, the University's men's small ensemble, and the women of Sigma Alpha Iota are also scheduled to perform.

There is no admission charge.

Ensembles combine to give yearly "Concert of the Bells"

Northwest's Brass Quintet will combine with three Maryville churches for a performance to be presented on campus.

The "Concert of the Bells" will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 20, in Mary Linn. This is the 11th annual concert of its kind in Maryville.

The instrumental ensemble will combine with the church handbell choirs for three selections. Both ensembles will perform several selections alone.

The event is free to the public.

Printmaker exhibits works during break from 1994 tour

Some 50 prints from one of America's finest printmakers will be on display throughout this month.

The Warrington Colescott Retrospective Exhibition will be displayed in the DeLuce Gallery on campus. The national tour is making a special stop at Northwest.

Co-ed soccer club is looking for prospective members

Northwest's Co-ed Soccer Club will begin practicing at 4 p.m. every Monday through Thursday. The club is now scheduling several games with area clubs for the season.

Anyone is welcome to join the club at any time. For more information contact Chris Korte, vice president, at 582-4018.

STATE

Officers kill man in shootout following night club dispute

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Five private security guards and two police officers fired shots during a fatal parking lot shootout with a drunken bar patron who had been ejected after arguing with his pregnant wife.

Kansas City police say Allen McLellan, 28, of Raytown died about 2 a.m. Sunday, March 13, at St. Luke's Hospital.

A witness said he suffered numerous gunshot wounds to the upper torso in the exchange of gunfire that lasted several minutes in the busy Westport nightclub district.

Senate pushes for convicts to serve more of sentences

JEFFERSON CITY (AP) — The Missouri Senate endorsed making many felons serve 85 percent of their prison sentences.

But if that stricter standard becomes law, Missourians can't be assured the felons will be locked up into the next century.

That's because there isn't enough prison space to accommodate at least 1,300 new inmates the legislation's sponsor said would need to be put away.

The sponsor of the "one strike, you're out" language estimated the cost at \$183 million. But this year's legislative passage of authority to spend \$56 million on one women's prison isn't even a certainty.

Stalker, killer's wife pushes for death penalty in rampage

BOONVILLE (AP) — The estranged wife of Dante Hayes who was allegedly stalked during a murderous shooting rampage at a military academy said her husband "deserves the death penalty."

Anna Hayes was joined by some relatives of the victims in criticizing a plea bargain which would spare her husband's life.

Prosecutor Doug Abele said that most relatives of the victims think the proposed plea bargain is the best choice.

He said it would assure imprisonment rather than taking any risk of an acquittal.

NATION

Neighborhood man arrested in strangulations of women

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — A man accused of killing 10 women knew them all and had worked with some at fast-food restaurants, police said.

Henry Louis Wallace, 28, was being held Monday, March 14, pending a bond hearing in Mecklenburg County Superior Court.

He was arrested Saturday, March 12, and charged the next day with murder in the killings. All the victims lived in Charlotte.

Police said Wallace strangled nine women in the past 20 months.

The body of a 10th woman was found in the ashes of a burned house: investigators do not yet know how she died.

Leading traders try to solve world's unemployment crisis

DETROIT (AP) — President Clinton urged America's major trading partners to combine their "collective energy and ideas" to solve the world's crisis of chronic unemployment and stagnant wages.

Clinton, speaking to the top economic policy-makers of the seven richest industrial countries, said Monday, March 14, every nation faced a "stubborn and persistent problem" of how to create more and better-paying jobs.

He said that the problem was different for each country, with the United States hampered by stagnant wages and Europe saddled with high unemployment rates.

The president continued to pressure Europe and Japan to do more to end the global recession by stimulating domestic demand.

He said the United States would do its part by continuing with efforts to reduce its budget deficits.

Clinton said the most industrialized countries had to learn how to obtain and maintain growing living standards for its citizens.



WORLD

Columbian's elect congress, drug cartel may be involved

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The governing Liberal Party appeared to hold onto power in congressional elections that some critics said had been bought by the Cali cocaine cartel, according to results released.

The party won at least 52 seats in the 102-seat Senate and at least 85 of the House of Representatives' 163 seats, radio stations reported Monday, March 14, citing official results with about 90 percent of the vote counted.

With Election Day campaigning prohibited for the first time, the festive atmosphere of past years was gone during voting Sunday, March 13.

35 Thais accused of fraud to be cleared of all charges

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Almost two dozen Thai citizens arrested in Cambodia for alleged involvement in a pyramid investment scheme have been cleared of fraud charges and will be freed next month, a Thai newspaper reported.

About 35 Thais were arrested last October in northeastern Cambodia's Battambang province after the collapse of the scheme.

More than 1,000 Cambodians, including high-ranking military officials, were said to have lost a total of about \$2.4 million in the swindle.

Escapees killed in manhunt, playwright dies after attack

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Security forces announced that they have killed 24 escapees from a maximum-security prison freed in an attack by Islamic radicals.

Officials captured 79 more and seized a large quantity of arms.

In Paris, French authorities said that acclaimed Algerian playwright Abdelkader Alloula, critically wounded in an attack last week, died early Monday, March 14, at a French military hospital.

He was reportedly in critical condition.

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ROBERT HUFFMAN SPOKE to Student Senate Tuesday, March 15, in an effort to gain student support for the elections. Huffman, a self-employed electrician, is running for Maryville City Council.

Council hopefuls visit with Senate

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Huffman who are currently campaigning for an opening on the Maryville City Council, spoke at the meeting.

Flannigan, former Northwest athletic director, is also a Maryville landlord. He acknowledged there are problems with the housing situation, yet he said he is not to be a "slum lord."

"I have a definite agenda about the housing. Number one, I think they need to establish a sound code," Flannigan said.

He said the current code is not uniform, and different persons are not treated equally now. He briefly addressed other issues such as a prison, landfills and hog operations.

Huffman, a self-employed electrician, agreed extensive improvements in housing codes need to be made.

"I would like to see the inspection before you move in [to an apartment or house]," he said.

He said there are two categories of landlords: the landlord association and the slum lords.

Huffman also recognized another problem.

"I think that one of the biggest problems with Maryville today is that we're a small hometown and, we're growing into a big city and ... we're right in the middle of that spot," Huffman said.

Concerns from the Northwest Weight Training Club were also present.

Due to the changes in residence halls across campus, they are being forced to relocate.

Members of the Club requested Senate's support. They will present a resolution at the next Senate meeting.

Senate will not meet next week due to a legislative meeting in Jefferson City, Mo.

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Robert Huffman
City Council member

PRSSA participates in national conference

By SARA MEYERS
CHIEF REPORTER

The Public Relations Student Society of America had the opportunity to send one delegate from the Northwest chapter to the national conference in New Orleans, where they selected the executive board for next year and discussed ways of improving PRSSA.

Members of PRSSA who were interested in attending the national conference had to submit letters to the organization explaining why they wanted to attend the conference and how they believed it would prove beneficial.

"One of the benefits is they get to network with other delegates in PRSSA that they will be working with in a couple of years," said Kathie Leeper, adviser of PRSSA. "Already, at the college level, they have established a network."

Theresa Renner, sophomore, was chosen out of three applicants as this year's delegate to attend PRSSA's national conference.

"I was kind of surprised because both of the other people who turned in letters were older than me," Renner said. "All day Saturday we listened to speeches that focused on ways PRSSA could intertwine with PRSA, the professional organization."

Renner believed that not only was the conference an important benefit for the Northwest chapter of PRSSA but also helped her make contacts she could use in the future.

"I met a lot of professionals in the PRSA organization that I can call up later for internships," Renner said. "The

more we meet now the easier it is later on when you are trying to find a job or internship."

The conference focused on ways to improve PRSSA in their budgeting and activities of the individual chapters.

Delegates in attendance also had the chance to mingle with members of the Public Relations Society of America. Networking was only part of the importance of the conference.

"We discussed new ways to improve PRSSA nationally and in the individual chapters. I brought back ideas of how to improve membership and improve the PR firm we run."

Renner believes working with PRSSA's public relations firm, Promotion In Motion, is an opportunity for anyone to benefit in public relations.

Way to improve Promotion In Motion occurred to Renner at the conference from talking with other delegates and PRSSA members.

"I have lots of ideas on how to get more clients and how to get more people involved in the firm," Renner said. "We could get a higher membership by sending out letters to all freshman explaining what PRSSA was and inviting all communication majors."

Improving the membership in the PRSSA organization was also on Renner's mind when she left the national conference.

"To improve our membership in PRSSA we need to show how important it can be to you," Renner said. "It teaches you everything from building resumes to how to build a portfolio."

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AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

5 students receive academic achievement award

Annelle Weymuth, executive assistant to the president, has announced that five Northwest students have been selected by a screening committee to be recipients of the 1994 Council on Public Higher Education Achievement and Recognition Award.

The five were selected on the basis of academic achievement (at least a 3.75 Grade Point Average on the 4.0 scale), campus leadership and governance experience and contributions leading to the University's betterment. The recipients were honored in Jefferson City, Mo., on Wednesday, March 16 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel.

Recipients of the COPHE honor at Northwest were Debbie Fannon, a senior psychology major; Leslie Hagan, a senior elementary education major; Kevin Kooi, a junior elementary education major; Meghan O'Riley, a senior elementary education/middle school language arts major; and Paula Redd, a senior elementary education major.

Former quarterback nominated for NCAA committee

Joseph Johnson, former Bearcat football quarterback, recently was one of only two student athletes selected by the NCAA to participate in a special committee that conferred in Raleigh, N.C., to review student athlete welfare access and equity.

Johnson was nominated for committee membership by James C. Redd, University Athletic Director.

Johnson said upon his return to the Northwest campus that the discussions in Raleigh centered on the overall physical, mental and social well-being of the student athlete.

In that context, he said the committee discussed the role and responsibilities of the coach and student athlete in relation to such issues as equipment, competition, awareness of health issues, sexual behavior, drugs, eating disorders, date rape and gambling.

Committee recommendations will be evaluated by the NCAA and could be put into legislative form for consideration at the next NCAA national convention in January.

Grad assistant named Athletic Trainer of the year

Diane Fontaine, a graduate assistant athletic trainer, was honored March 10, by the Big West Conference in ceremonies scheduled in the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev.

For many years, the Big West Conference has honored Male and Female Scholar Athletes of the Year, but now for the first time the Big West will also be honoring the Scholar Athletic Trainer of the Year.

The first-ever recipient of that award for 1993 is Fontaine. She enrolled at Northwest in January and was awarded a graduate assistantship to work under the University's head athletic trainer, David Colt, while she works toward a master of science degree in education with emphasis in physical education.

She holds a bachelor's degree from New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, in athletic training. She served as a student trainer while at New Mexico State.

Fontaine said she was influenced to enroll at Northwest by Colleen Keenan, Colorado Springs, Colo., who earned a master's degree from Northwest last August after serving here as a graduate assistant trainer.



Johnson
NCAA committee

Poet enhances text with life

By CODY WALKER
ASSISTANT EDITOR

After living on a cattle ranch in southeastern Oregon for 35 years, William Kittredge left the only life he knew behind in the sparsely populated area and ventured into the unknown to chase his dream of becoming a writer.

Now with an award-winning screenplay, books, articles published in well-known magazines such as Rolling Stone and Harpers, a National Endowment for the Arts Award and a Montana Government Award for English beneath his belt, it's obvious the decision was wise.

Kittredge was the screenwriter and co-producer of the Robert Redford movie "A River Runs Through It."

Excerpts from Kittredge's autobiography, "Hole in the Sky," were read to the silent audience of faculty members and students in the University Conference Center Wednesday evening.

According to Kittredge, he could not fathom what to value in life as a six-year-old child. He searched for reasons to show him why it was better to live after he dealt with Polio and remained sick for a long time.

Kittredge read a section that described the world as a staging ground for his

imagination. He explained childhood as a love affair with everything.

He said he recalled sneaking from the house on early mornings just after dawn and walking in the lawn barefoot when it was still wet with dew.

According to Kittredge, before the white man discovered and spread to Oregon, the land was occupied by the Northern Pint Indians.

During that time period, the streams were abundant with trout, and the animals such as mule deer were not afraid of people.

Memories of family members were scattered and frequent in Kittredge's work.

One excerpt described his Uncle Hank removing his teeth with pieces of spinach stuck in them, while sitting at the dinner table.

Kittredge said that if anyone would have asked him as a child, Uncle Hank would have been considered a model of conduct.

Kittredge's readings are a part of the Missouri Valley Reading series, a creative writing guest writer circuit that is being sponsored by Northwest, the University of Nebraska—Omaha, Kansas State, Washburn University and Creighton University.



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AWARD-WINNING SCREEN WRITER William Kittredge reads excerpts from his autobiography "Hole in the Sky." Kittredge wrote the screen play for Robert Redford's "A River Runs Through It."

Professors receive honors at convention

By REGINA BRUNTMEYER
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Six faculty members at Northwest have been commended for their teaching abilities and will attend the 1994 National Conference on Higher Education.

The teachers, sponsored by Culture of Quality, will be attending the annual conference of the American Association for Higher Education March 23-26 in Chicago.

"The Culture of Quality decided that we had to do more to celebrate the good teachers we have at Northwest and bring new ideas back to campus," said Patt VanDyke, interim vice president of Academic Affairs.

The conference will be attended by over 8,000 administrators, faculty and students from all sectors with the main goal of improving the effectiveness of the higher education enterprise as a whole.

The faculty chosen were nominated by the deans and department chairs of each college, VanDyke said.

There are two programs teachers were chosen to represent. David Smith was chosen to attend the colloquium on academic citizenship, VanDyke said.

William Hinckley, Patricia Lucido, Robert Bohlken, Nancy Thomson and John Baker were selected to attend the forum on exemplary teaching, VanDyke said.

Smith is the only faculty who has attended the conference before. He believes the conference focuses on people who are aware of the community around them and want new ideas.

"In many cases, faculty members have withdrawn into their own work and are no longer involved in campus or community life," Smith said. "It leaves a void in the community."

Faculty members agree on the importance of new ideas.

"It's always worthwhile to spend a few days with colleagues away from the job, particularly with different people in different fields," Hinckley said.

The conference will provide the

atmosphere for discussion among the participants.

"Most people don't talk about teaching," Hinckley said. "They talk about curriculum or students, but not what they really do in the classroom."

The conference will also teach new ways to implement technology into the classroom.

Bohlken expressed an interest in learning more about multi-media teaching even though it has only begun to have an impact on speaking and listening skills.

"Education is going to change because of technology," Thomson said. "The schools of today are without boundaries, and I'm not sure how to approach that."

Technology has already made a huge impact on teaching and will continue to make a big difference in the future.

"It's important to push for the gain of information to develop new skills for the faculty and come back excited about sharing," Lucido said.

If the conference is going to have an

impact, the teachers must be dedicated to the cause.

"The conference is designed to bring teachers together to be innovative and creative in higher education," Thomson said. "We are expected to come back and begin to be leaders of the generation of ideas for innovative change."

Finding out what works and what does not will be another goal of the conference.

"The failures of other people are as important as their success," Baker said.

Learning from the mistakes of others can save Northwest time by not making the same mistakes.

"We need to learn what is the right mix from other people who have been there on the edge," Baker said.

AAHE expects the teachers to bring several things back to their respective colleges.

Teachers will be presented with new ideas for improving methods and creating a culture of teaching. A network of interested teachers will be formed to help find new ways to get involved inside the classroom.

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SPORTS

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OFF THE BENCH

Basketball season ends with upsets of ranked teams

With the No. 1 ranking changing hands more times than Liz Taylor has been married and six of the top eight rated teams in the nation losing last weekend on "Black Saturday," you couldn't have asked for more in the 1993-94 men's Division I college basketball season.

The year began with the No. 1-ranked North Carolina Tar Heels dropping a heart-breaker to the Minutemen of Massachusetts in the pre-season National Invitational Tournament.

The plot thickened as six different teams, including Arkansas, Kansas, UCLA and North Carolina inherited the unwanted top spot in the Associated Press poll only to lose it.

Then in what was the St. Valentine's Day Massacre of college sports and Excedrin headache No. 5 for the NCAA selection committee, six of the top eight rated teams including No. 1 Arkansas, No. 2 Connecticut and No. 3 Missouri lost on "Black Saturday."

March Madness

Now that the regular season is finished, rather mercifully for some, the nation's attention turns to the NCAA Tournament, affectionately termed "March Madness."

The four No. 1 seeds in the tournament, Purdue, Missouri, Arkansas and North Carolina, have a rocky road ahead of them through their respective regions save one.

Missouri, the top seed in the West region, has the fewest ranked foes in their bracket, thereby making the regular-season Big Eight champs a theoretical lock for a Final Four appearance.

But in years past Norm Stewart's Tigers, regardless of seeding, have failed to advance beyond the second round of play. And don't forget that over the last 20 years only 58 percent of No. 1 seeds have made it to the Final Four.

The two teams expected to have the best chances of winning the NCAA Championship are Arkansas and North Carolina. The Razorbacks have a deadly combination of youth and experience, with a dash of offensive explosiveness and stifling defense.

The Tar Heels have the experience of playing for, and winning, a national championship last year and return virtually that same cast of players including freshmen of influence Jerry Stackhouse, Rasheed Wallace and Jeff Maginnis, whose recent play has Dean Smith smiling wide and bleeding Carolina blue.

Prediction time

Who's my pick to win it all? Although only two teams have repeated as national champions in the last 30 years, the UCLA Bruins and the Duke Blue Devils of 1991 and 1992, I see a third team joining this rather elite union, the Tar Heels of North Carolina.

But in addition to the pressure already placed on these ballclubs, they must concern themselves with the darkhorse contenders in the tournament field. These are teams that, as Alan Fundt's "Candid Camera" had done years ago, come out of nowhere and do so when you least expect it.

This year's darkhorse contenders include Rick Pitino's Kentucky Wildcats, who bombed No. 1 Arkansas out of the Southeastern Conference tournament with phenomenal 3-point shooting.

Others include the Big East tournament champion Providence Friars, who upset the No. 2 Connecticut Huskies on "Black Saturday" and the Virginia Cavaliers who, despite having a team field goal percentage of under 40 percent for the season, have a smothering defense and are on a roll since dumping the No. 3 Duke Blue Devils.

So, now that you have absorbed these words of wisdom, and have filled out your brackets for floor and office pools, and have made outrageous and clearly illegal bets with friends and enemies, sit back, skip class and enjoy "March Madness."

PLAYER WATCH

Brad Skriver

Class: Junior
Hometown: Coralville, Iowa (Kirkwood CC)

Major: Business Management

Career stats:

Was third team all-American at Kirkwood Community College.

This year's stats:

Leads the team in batting with average of .375, 15 hits and 8 runs scored and 3 doubles. In 40 at bats, has 4 RBIs starting all 13 games. Has a perfect fielding percentage putting out 14 runners with one assist.



Matthew Breen
Missourian Staff



LAURA REIDEL/Northwest Missourian

SENIOR FIRST BASEMAN Dave Hobbs beats the throw to first base in the last game of Monday's double-header. The Red Raiders took the first game 7-5, while Northwest came back to win the second 7-1. The Bearcats take to the road Thursday for a double-header against Doane College.

Softball finishes 6-4, captures consolation

By KRISSE SPARKS
MISSOURIAN STAFF

For spring break, the softball team started off the season by going to Florida to play in the University of West Florida Spring Fling Classic Softball Tournament in Pensacola, Fla.

The team finished the tournament 6-4, by winning the consolation bracket championship.

"We were pretty pleased, I thought we played real well in some games, a couple that we lost I thought we could have won," said women's head coach Gayla Steenbergen. "We got the jitters out though and won our last three games."

The Bearcats played their first two games on Friday, March 8. Northwest won the first game 3-2 over William Penn, Iowa. Penn came back to hand Northwest its only shutout of the trip, 3-0.

The Bearcats played three games on Thursday, March 10,

starting out the day with a 7-4 loss to Beloit College, Wisc. The Bearcats were also defeated by IU-PU Fort Wayne by a score of 3-1.

The team broke their three-game losing streak with a win over Tusculum College of Tennessee in Thursday's game.

On Friday, March 11 the team smashed Hannibal LaGrange 19-0.

Northwest then began play in a 16-team bracket that matched the top four teams in each of the four pools with a 9-5 loss to Columbia College, Mo.

Northwest then moved into the consolation semifinals with an 8-3 win over Ohio Dominican.

Saturday's play began with a 4-3 win over Wisconsin-Eau Claire in the consolation bracket semifinals.

In the championship game, the Bearcats knocked off MIAA rival Northeast Missouri State University to win the consolation title.

The softball team will compete in the Pittsburg State Tournament Friday and Saturday.

Southwest Baptist trips 'Cats in MIAA tournament, 74-69

By GENE CASSELL
MISSOURIAN STAFF

It is hard to beat a good team three times in one season.

This widely known sports quotation sometimes comes to haunt many teams, and with the 74-69 loss to Southwest Baptist University, Northwest learned first hand on what the saying was all about.

Northwest owned two victories over the Bearcats, from Southwest Baptist, the last victory coming just 13 days prior to the March 3 encounter.

Southwest Baptist came into the game leading the MIAA in rebounding margin averaging almost 10 more rebounds than their opponents, and that was the case against the 'Cats as Southwest out rebounded the home team 38-28.

"They are a great offensive rebounding team," men's head coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "Their second and third shots really hurt us. That mentally breaks you down too because I thought we came out and really beat them up."

In the first half, each team took leads of five points.

But overall they were five ties and eight lead changes with Southwest Baptist taking the 34-32 halftime lead into the locker room.

It was the same story in the second half, as well as the biggest lead the visitors could manage, was a 4-point advantage until a dunk at the game-ending horn that put the final margin at five points, 74-69.

In his swan song appearance for Northwest, senior forward Donnie Taylor led the 'Cats in scoring

KEY QUOTE

"... one of our big things is the home-court advantage, and I think when we have the guys with their faces painted, that is starting to get the type of atmosphere we need."

Steve Tappmeyer, Bearcat men's head coach, after the Southwest Baptist University game

MIAA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

#8 Emporia State 81	Washburn 105	69 Northwest	62 Pitt State #8
#1 Washburn 89	Washburn 89	74 Northwest #3	74 Northwest #3
#5 Mo. Western 73	74 SW Baptist	85 SW Baptist #7	85 SW Baptist #7
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'Cats improve record to 3-9-1

By BOB JARRETT
MISSOURIAN STAFF

and (Northwestern College) couldn't really get in the groove," Davis said.

With a team ERA above 6.00, the Bearcats' inconsistent pitching has been a worry for several of the Bearcat coaches and players. But head coach Jim Johnson is very optimistic about Davidson, who Johnson says is his most consistent pitcher, and the rest of the pitching staff. He points to the elements it takes to win and how difficult it is to get them together.

"Everybody's coming around. We have some good hitters on our team," said senior catcher Brian Davis who contributed to a 7-1 victory over the Red Raiders of Northwestern College with a home run and two RBIs, pushing his season batting average to .292.

"The whole team has been hitting the ball real well, just right at people," said junior outfielder Brad Skriver, who leads the team in hits and batting with a .375 average. "Hopefully they'll start falling in and we'll start winning some games."

Between March 6-12 the Bearcats embarked on an eight-game road trip, winning two, losing five and tying one. In the second game of the trip, sophomore pitcher Jay Davidson picked up the Bearcats' first win with a 5-3 victory over Wayne State College. Davidson followed with his second win on Monday, March 14, with the victory over the Red Raiders.

"He was mixing his pitches up really well, changing speeds on them, and the 'Cats will get a chance to make their work pay off when they travel today to Crete, Neb., for a double-header against Doane College. They will return home for two double-headers March 19-20 against Missouri Western. Both games are at noon.

TENNIS AND TRACK

Competition gears up

By NATE OLSON
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The men's and women's tennis teams' seasons are in full swing and the men's and women's track teams rapped up their indoor season running in last chance qualifying meets on March 4 and 5.

The 'Cats men's tennis team captured a 9-0 win over Drury College on Friday, March 11, at home and then scored a 9-0 win over Rockhurst on Saturday, March 12.

In Friday's competition freshman Nick McFee rolled past Mike Cerchia 6-2 and 6-1 and senior Eduardo Jarolim beat Brent Davison 6-2 and 6-3. In doubles play sophomore Syed Maserson and McFee thumped Matt Bridges and Kevin Mauss 8-2.

On Saturday, junior Jeremy Grump beat Matt Bridges 6-0 and 6-1 and senior Bill Bobo stung Keith Kontaski 6-3 and 6-1. Bobo and sophomore Steve Tanski scored an 8-3 victory over Brian Freund and Kontaski.

McFee leads the 'Cats with a 5-1 individual record and Jarolim has a 4-2 mark. Northwest owns a 3-4 team record heading into a tournament this weekend at Emporia State.

The Northwest women's tennis team was also at home last weekend and they too rolled over the competition by stinging Drury College 9-0 and crushing Rockhurst 8-1.

On Friday, sophomore Lia Ruiz posted a 6-0 and

6-1 victory and freshman Maria Groumoutis stung Lori Hunt 6-0 and 6-0.

On Saturday, Groumoutis continued to roll by stomping Stacy Weisman 6-0 and 6-0.

Groumoutis, Ruiz, sophomore Andi Schneider and senior Kara Fritz all own 4-1 records.

The team record stands at 4-1.

The men's and women's track teams spent last weekend trying to qualify for the NCAA Division II Indoor Nationals in Fargo, N.D., at a last-chance qualifying meet.

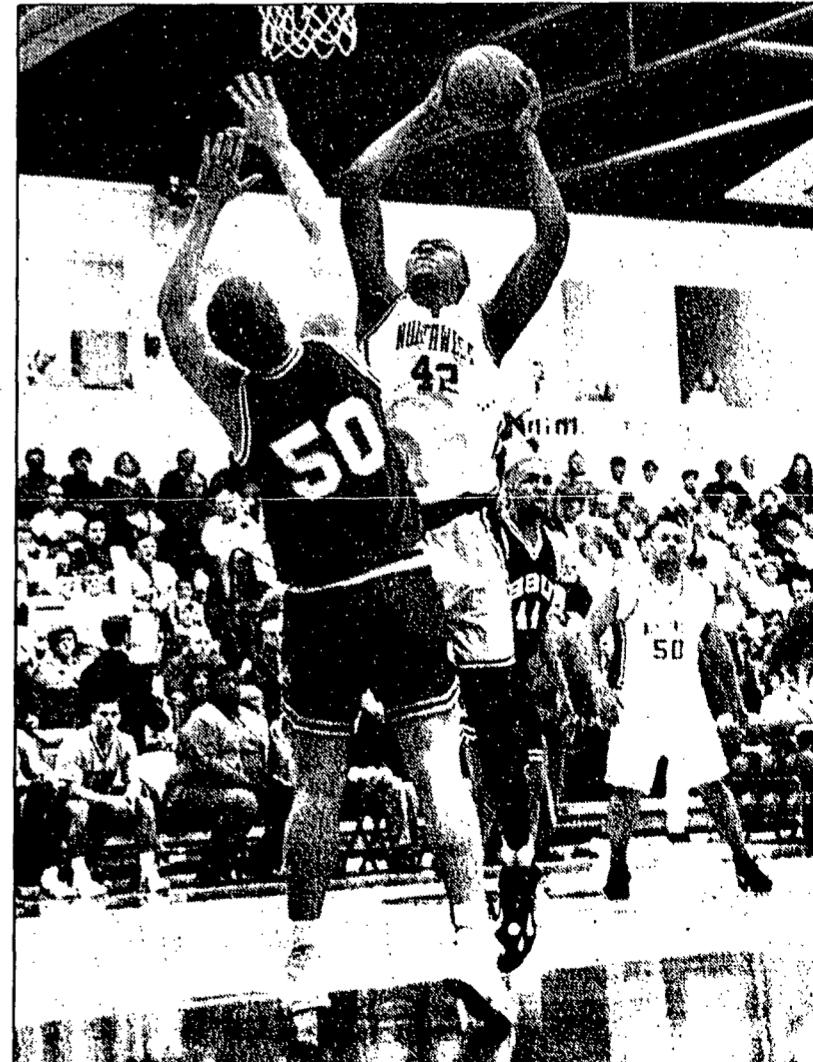
The top performances were turned in by senior Ron Perkins, who previously qualified for nationals with a 1:52.49 time in the 800 meters at the Iowa State last-chance meet Friday, March 11.

Junior Chris Blondin (1:54 in the 800) and Craig Grove (49.85 in the 400 meters) also ran provisional qualifying times at Iowa State University.

Freshman high jumper Jody Doekler jumped 5-6 1/2, an improvement over her previous best of 5-5. However, that was not good enough for automatic qualification.

Of Northwest's provisional qualifiers (no Bearcat men or women have hit automatic qualifying standards), Doekler, Perkins, junior Tanya Drake (55-meter hurdles), and sophomore Justin Sleath (400 meters) appear to have the best chance of making the Division II national field.

Those who qualify will not be known until just before the competition begins on Friday.



RUSS WEYDERT/Northwest Missourian
JUNIOR CENTER RICKY Jolley attempts to score against Southwest Baptist in the MIAA Tournament. Jolley was the leading rebounder in the game. The 'Cats were dominated because of a lack of rebounds.

DISCO'S DEAD

Alice in Chains lets the 'Flies' out, losing elements

Bob Jarrett

Music Critic

Expressive, clear vocals have given Seattle band special flair

Some bands just have that edge. Other bands don't. Some bands have that edge then lose it. Alice in Chains falls into either the first group or the third. I can't quite decide.

Their new EP, "Jar of Flies," shows evidence of the maniac edge displayed so vividly on recent works like "Dirt," "Sap" and "Facelift," but sometimes seems to lose the anguished cry that has given them a varied and dedicated following.

They were the first band in the famed group of Seattle-scene bands I had heard, before the rage took over the pop music world. They remain my favorite.

Lead singer Layne Staley has one of the most expressive voices in the industry. His lyrics about madness, drug abuse, violence and other genuinely poor feelings rarely fail to translate the underlying message in an all-too-clear manner.

He again achieves this on "Jar of Flies" with songs like "Don't Follow" and "Rotten Apple." His droning convulsing vocals are sometimes frightening in their reality. However, at other times, he sounds disinterested and insincere.

Jerry Cantrell plays lead guitar, and, once again, has produced volumes of incredible, expansive music. His style is very difficult to define. His howling slides and sustained tones are unique in their use.

The blues roots are there, as they are with almost any rock 'n' roll, but Cantrell, like Staley, has a wealth of pure, gripping emotions represented vividly in his music. His performance did not let me down.

The rhythm section of Sean Kinney on drums and Mike Inez on bass and rhythm guitar is able to hold it together but seems to take a back seat to Cantrell's lead. Kinney has several bright spots on the album including a couple of solo minutes.

Alice in Chains seems to be in the middle of a transition phase. Long followed by drug problems, maybe they have finally put the needles aside and focused their attention on creating new and expansive music. This album offers a sense of a new direction or motive behind the music. Songs like "Nutshell" and "I Stay Away" may be indicative of the changing form of this band.

A couple of songs on this album are destined for a lot of airplay. "No Excuses" is one of them. Cantrell is credited with the lyrics on this one and they are similar to Staley's in their cryptic agony. The lyrics embellish very well the eerie harmonies of Staley and Cantrell. It has a more "accessible" rhythm to it and sounds a lot like classic Alice in Chains.

"Rotten Apples" and "Swing on This" have the classic Alice sound as well. It's a drive and drone that is unlike anything other bands are doing.

"Whale and Wasp" stands out as a moving instrumental. Cantrell wrote it and hired extra musicians to play strings. Its length (only two and a half minutes) is sufficient to show you the talent and composition ability of this band. I would like to hear more instrumentation as good as this from them again.

As positive as all this may sound, I still can't get past the feeling that something I had come to love from Alice in Chains is, at least in some part, missing.

Maybe they just aren't as disturbed or critical of life as they once were, and that was what had given them their crucial edge in the past.

*"Jar of Flies"*
Alice in Chains

For an example of their changing style even before this album, I will suggest a listening of their last EP, "Sap." It is a departure to the acoustic (as is the norm, dictated by MTV) by a band that would have been just as powerful had they stayed acoustic. "Sap" is able to translate all that grimy energy to a medium very different than what they had been used to.

Without the use of overbearing distortion and amplification, the music still comes through as drastically and extreme as the traditional Alice in Chains.

REEL TO REEL

Predicting Oscar winners; Spielberg early favorite



Mike Johnson

Movie Critic

'Schindler's List' should take home Best Picture next Monday

It's that time of year again, where Hollywood gives itself the ultimate pat on the back. Host Whoopi Goldberg and a slew of the best and brightest of Hollywood promise to provide a glitzy spectacle of winners and losers. "And the award goes to..."

Best Supporting Actor: Leonardo DiCaprio should win for "What's Eating Gilbert Grape?" Generally, performances in which actors play mentally or physically challenged people are too studied. DiCaprio was completely natural and touching. Taken alone, it is amazing. Taken with his performance in "This Boy's Life," it is phenomenal.

Tommy Lee Jones will win. This is the category where, in recent years, the academy has bestowed lifetime achievement awards rather than basing it on the merit of the performance like recent winners Jack Palance and Gene Hackman. This year is no exception, with Jones in a funny but unspectacular role.

Best Supporting Actress: Winona Ryder should win for "The Age of Innocence." Daniel Day Lewis and Michelle Pfeiffer were the couple to root for, but it is Ryder, as the woman he ultimately chooses, who stands out in a terrific and overlooked movie.

Ryder will win. Year after year, this award is the most difficult to predict. Last year, Marisa Tomei was the surprise winner. This year, the Oscar will go to Ryder. If the academy chooses to honor double nominee Emma Thompson, it will be here, but her lack of screen time gives Ryder the edge.

Best Actor: Anthony Hopkins should win for "Remains of the Day." Without any scenes of fierce defiance or shed tears, Hopkins truly astounds. All the nominees are deserving, but it is Hopkins who earns it with a repressed silence that speaks volumes.

Tom Hanks will win for "Philadelphia." He is well-liked and his role as a man with AIDS proved his versatility as an actor, especially after the summer

hit, "Sleepless in Seattle." "Big" proved he could touch hearts, but "Philadelphia" proved he could break them, even with a substandard script.

Best Actress: Holly Hunter should and will win for "The Piano." Like Thompson's Oscar-winning part in "Howard's End" last year, no other woman's role came close to achieving the scope and depth of the mute, piano-playing adulteress. Hunter delivers with simplicity, never resorting to grand gestures or histrionics. There is no competition here.

Best Director: Steven Spielberg should and will win. Jane Campion would be the clear winner in a normal year for her small scale epic, "The Piano," but Spielberg, with the astounding one-two punch of "Jurassic Park" and "Schindler's List" will get it for finally proving to the academy what everyone already knew: that there is a depth to his child-like imagination.

Best Picture: "Schindler's List" should win. The quiet pleasures of

"Remains of the Day," the brash in your face intensity of "In the Name of the Father," the crowd pleasing excitement of "The Fugitive" and the brilliant and imaginative "The Piano," which achieves fable status, are all worthy of the award, but it is the magnificent tale of German heroism that stays in memory long after the credits have rolled.

"Schindler's List" will win. Last year was the year of "Unforgiven" and the year before was "Silence of the Lambs." This is the year of "Schindler's List." After unfairly snubbing "The Color Purple," the academy would be remiss to ignore this monumental achievement that gives meaning to the word unforgettable.

In the end, the Academy Award ceremony will be as entertaining for what the stars are wearing as it will be for who wins. However, for the winners, the Oscar is pure gold, and for the audience it is solid, five-star entertainment.

THE STROLLER

The Stroller will not appear in this issue of the Northwest Missourian due to unforeseen circumstances, but will appear here next week.

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